

**Village of Lovington  
Regular Board Meeting  
September 8, 2014**

**Call to order:** President Jim Minor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** President Minor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Doug Smith, Roger Walker, Pam Anklam, Dennis Garmon and Jim McMahan. Barry Morgan was absent. President Jim Minor and Clerk Alma Fair were also present.

**Guests** present were: Meta Creek, Steven Harris, Jessica Mercer and News-Progress reporter Florence Hallford.

1. Jessica Mercer presented a request for the East End. They wish to remain open until 2:00 am on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> for the Homecoming celebrations.

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by McMahan to allow the East End to remain open until 2:00 am on Saturday, October 11th and Sunday, October 12th for the Homecoming celebrations.

**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Meta Creek – October 11, 2014 Homecoming Parade & Festivities

Meta Creek presented requests from the Lovington Alumni Committee. Their theme is “Our Hometown is a Great Hometown” The following list was presented:

- a. Put up the flags uptown – we are honoring Veterans in the parade.
- b. Move picnic table & trash cans uptown
- c. Use street from the corner of State Streets – S. Broadway for food vendors –need barricades.
- d. Make sure that electricity is available (Board members noted that someone will be there to be sure)
- e. Parade starts at 1:00 pm
- f. State Street, High Street & Noah Street available for parade line up. Will not be using Al Best Drive this year.
- g. Would like to mark streets for parade entries (Meta will ask Ralph Zancha)
- h. Setup Sound System (Meta will ask Ralph Zancha)
- i. Police Dept. available for parade: block off 32 to Church Street until parade is over.
- j. Use the park for 4 inflatables – is there electricity available? Anklam asked what specs are needed for the inflatables for electricity. Also, the inflatables would need to provide to the Village proof of insurance. Meta needs to get back to Garmon. The inflatables would also need to have long extension cords for the power.
- k. Meta will also talk to Amanda Doggett about having some contests for the kids at the park.
- l. Request a donation for parade expenses.

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Anklam to donate \$500.00 for Lovington Homecoming expenses.

**YEA:** Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Steven Harris would like to know if he can remove the sidewalk in front of his house to make more parking for himself. He drives a semi and parks his cab only in front of his house. His truck is wide enough that it almost sticks out into the road if it isn't parked on the sidewalk.

Walker – hates to allow that because more people would want to do it.

Smith – also agrees that he would not like to see it done. There is an ordinance about blocking the sidewalk.

Minor - Let us look into it and get back to you.

**Closed Session:**

Meeting of “The Mayor & Commissioners of a municipality organized under article 4 of the Municipal Code held to discuss matters, which relate solely to exercise their executive or administrative responsibilities.”

1. 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (5) Purchase or lease of Real Property
2. 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (11) Litigation
3. 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (1) Employee

A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by McMahan to go into closed session at 7:24 pm for the purpose of 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (5) Purchase or lease of Real Property, 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (11) Litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec.2 (1) Employee.

**YEA:** Anklaam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Return to Open Session:**

A **Motion** was made by Anklaam and seconded by McMahan to return to opened session at 8:15 pm.

**YEA:** Walker, Anklaam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Action on Closed Session Items:**

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Smith to accept the deed to 110 E State Street in Lovington to end the lien foreclosure proceedings.

**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklaam, Garmon, McMahan

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Anklaam to accept Letter of Intent for Cooperation between the Village of Lovington and the Lovington Drainage District for Sections 22, 23, 26, 27 & 34 as presented with the amending of Item 2.-striking the last two words. (including funding.)

**YEA:** Walker, Anklaam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**New Business**

1. **Discussion and action** on Request from Shooters to stay open 1 hour later for Homecoming October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

A **Motion** was made by Anklaam and seconded by McMahan to allow Shooters to remain open one extra hour later for Homecoming October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

**YEA:** Anklaam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **Discussion and action** on flood plain re-evaluation  
No action was taken.

**Old Business - none****Minutes and action of Village Clerk – by Alma Fair**

1. **Discussion and action on August 2014 invoices**

A **Motion** was made by Anklaam and seconded by Garmon to approve the August 2014 invoices as presented.

**YEA:** Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker, Anklaam

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **2. Discussion and action on August 4, 2014 Closed Session Board meeting minutes**

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Anklam to accept the August 4, 2014 Closed Session Board meeting minutes as presented.

**YEA:** Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **3. Discussion and action on August 4, 2014 Regular Board meeting minutes**

A **Motion** was made by Anklam and seconded by McMahan to accept the August 4, 2014 Regular Board meeting minutes as presented with correction as noted.

**YEA:** Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **Treasurer's Report**

### **1. Discussion and action on June 2014 treasure's report**

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by McMahan to accept the June 2014 Treasure's report as presented.

**YEA:** Anklam, Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### **2. Discussion and action on July 2014 treasure's report**

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by McMahan to accept the July 2014 Treasure's report as presented.

**YEA:** Garmon, McMahan, Smith, Walker, Anklam

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

### **3. Discussion and action on August 2014 treasurer's report**

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by McMahan to accept the August 2014 Treasure's report as presented.

**YEA:** McMahan, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED.**

## **Department Reports**

### **Presidents Report – by Jim Minor**

1. Minor was helping Smith out with getting concrete sidewalk work started. Areas to be replaced and paid with Motor Fuel Funds are; 1) Along the north side of the property known as 301 S. Railroad Street on the South side of E. Church St. from the east side of the alley between S. Broadway St. and S. Railroad St. to the west side of the existing sidewalk on S. Railroad St.; 2) From the existing sidewalk along the eastern side of the property known as 241 S. Railroad St. At the NW corner of the intersection of E Church St. and S Railroad St. eastward to S Railroad St to line up with the existing sidewalk on the north side of E Church St.; 3) along the south side of 550 W State St. from the NE corner of Patterson St. eastward along W State St. to the approximate property line between 550 W State St. and 544 W State St.; 4) Along the south side of 544 W State St. from the approximate west property line of 544 W State St eastward along W State St. to butt against the existing sidewalk on the south side of 538 W State St. for a total of \$5770.00

### **Water and Sewer Report – by Jim McMahan**

Nothing to report

### **Parks and Special Projects –by Dennis Garmon**

1. Feedback from a recent user of the park - the park and the restrooms were not clean when they got to the park. Sue and Garmon think they have come up with a good solution for future users of the park. They paid the \$25.00 to rent the park and the restrooms were not clean. Sue and

Garmon think they have come up with a good solution for future users of the park. The \$25.00 was refunded to the user. Note: This was found out after the meeting. The \$25.00 is a deposit that is put up until the key is returned & the bathrooms can be inspected for damage. Provided keys are returned & locks are not lost & no damage is done, the person/organization will always receive their deposit back.

**Police** – by Pam Anklam

1. Spent \$1700.00 this month
2. There is a recall on the police car; Police Chief Switzer is to take care of it.
3. Police report for August - Reports taken – 16, Calls dispatched – 19, Calls officer initiated – 7, Vehicle Accidents – 0, Ordinance Citations Issued – 0, Warning Citations issued – 0, State Citations Issued – 4, Juvenile Cases - 5, Misdemeanor Cases – 8, Felony Cases – 0, Agency Assists – 7, Total hours – 399
4. Animal Control Report for August – Total number of calls: 12, Dog – 10, Cat – 2, other - 0 Stray dog – 10 Feral Cat – 2, Humane Assist – 0, Bite Case – 0, Wildlife - 0. TNR spay/neuters Cats Females-5 Males-4

**Streets and Alleys** – by Doug Smith

Nothing to report

**Buildings and Grounds** – by Roger Walker

1. Maintenance building-to tuck point and a new roof would cost between \$25,000 and \$30,000. The roof needs to be done, the North side is bad. Walker will get a bid for a metal roof.
2. Smith thinks they can take the jet machine from the garage north of the Village Hall and get it into the maintenance building if it is backed in; then the garage can be clean out and the police cars can be kept there. Minor will talk to the workers regarding this.

**Insurance** – presented by McMahan in the absents of Barry Morgan

Nothing to report

**Adjournment**

A **Motion** was made by McMahan and seconded by Anklam to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklam, Garmon, McMahan

**ABSENT:** Morgan

**MOTION CARRIED**



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Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

October 6, 2014

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Date Approved